

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality



Notice of Application and Public Meeting For Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation General Permit Authorization No. TXG921410

Application. Prestage Farms of Oklahoma, LLC, P.O. Box 509, Texhoma, Texas 73949 has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) under General Permit No. TXG920000 for authorization to operate a new swine facility in Sherman County, Texas at 23,600 head total swine, of which 17,600 head are swine weighing under 55 lbs. and 6,000 head are swine weighing 55 lbs. or over. The notice of intent and the nutrient management plan were received by TCEQ on March 24, 2015.

No discharge of pollutants into the waters in the state is authorized by this general permit authorization. All manure and wastewater will be beneficially used on agricultural land.

This notice is for the same proposed Prestage Farms facility originally assigned authorization no. TXG921320 in 2014. All public comments previously received on TXG921320 will be considered during the processing of authorization no. TXG921410 and do not need to be re-submitted for TCEQ consideration. Those persons on the mailing list for TXG921320 will also be included on the mailing list for TXG921410.

The facility will be located approximately 200 feet north and 400 feet west of the intersection of County Road L (Purnell Road) and County Road 3, Sherman County, Texas. The facility will be located in the drainage area of an unclassified Segment No. 0100 of the Canadian River Basin.

A copy of the notice of intent, the nutrient management plan, the Executive Director's draft technical summary, and the concentrated animal feeding operation (CAFO) general permit is available for viewing and copying at the Sherman County Library, 719 north Main Street, Stratford, Texas 79084. The following link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice.

<http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=36.343042&lng=-102.135889&zoom=13&type=r>. For exact location, refer to application.

The Executive Director of the TCEQ has made a preliminary decision to approve coverage of this facility under General Permit No. TXG920000.

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments about this application. The TCEQ will hold a public meeting on this application because it has significant public interest and was requested by a local legislator. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application.

The public meeting will consist of two parts, an Informal Discussion Period and a Formal Comment Period. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing under the Administrative

Procedure Act. During the Informal Discussion Period, the public will be encouraged to ask questions of the applicant and TCEQ staff concerning the permit application. Responses will be provided orally during the Informal Discussion Period. During the Formal Comment Period on the permit application, members of the public may state their formal comments orally into the official record. The Executive Director will consider all relevant information pertaining to whether the Applicant meets the requirements of the general permit and will issue a written determination as to any final action on the notice of intent for coverage under the general permit. If the authorization is issued, a copy of the authorization and final technical summary will be sent to each person who submits a formal comment or who requests to be on the mailing list for this authorization and provides a mailing address.

**The Public Meeting is to be held:
Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at 7:00 PM
Sherman County Exhibit Barn
501 S. Maple Street
Stratford, Texas 79084**

Citizens are encouraged to submit written public comments to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice or by the date of the public meeting, whichever is later.

INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.texas.gov.

Persons with disabilities who need special accommodations at the meeting should call the Office of the Chief Clerk at (512) 239-3300 or 1-800-RELAY-TX (TDD) at least one week prior to the meeting.

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